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Waitress Sues Hotel Proprietor

Alberta Hotel Wins Suit For Wages Case

An interesting, and at times, amusing case was tried Thursday morning at the Town Hall before Justice J. McKinnay when Miss Della Spittle, plaintiff, sued William Ferguson, proprietor of the Alberta Hotel for wages alleged to be due her as waitress in the dining room of the hotel. After over a half hour of testimony and hearing the case, was adjourned until 11 a.m. Friday at which time witnesses were to be introduced to testify as to the efficiency of Miss Spittle as a waitress.

Miss Spittle had hired at the office of a Calgary employment bureau as an experienced waitress, coming to Bassano on Oct. 5rd to work at the Alberta Hotel as such. She was hired for \$20 per month and on October 15th was discharged by Mr. Ferguson on the ground that she was not efficient and that she caused trouble with the other hotel help. Miss Spittle, then, sent for wages due her for the remainder of the month and \$10 as board for the remaining two weeks. At 4 p.m. Mr. Ferguson retained a counsel for the plaintiff and Mr. Meyer acted for the defendant.

The defendant had Miss Minnie Turkey another waitress in the hotel who testified as to the inefficiency of the plaintiff. She stated that the latter did not act as she had ever been in dining room, that she spent a part of her time talking to guests to the neglect of others waiting to be served, that the plaintiff did not know how to serve customers and manipulate, that the cook could not understand orders delivered by Miss Spittle and that the latter had made disparaging remarks about the waiters to men in the dining room. Mr. Hunter of the Hunter Hotel also testified as to the usual custom in his hotel for hiring and discharging help. Field said notice in advance was not given an employee and notice of leaving was not demanded in advance on the part of the employee.

After hearing all the evidence produced upon both sides Judge McKinnay summed up the case and stated that it rested upon Miss Spittle to prove that she was efficient and that she should have to do so in order to win the case. As the plaintiff was comparative stranger in town, the Judge considered it only fair to give her an opportunity to produce guests upon whom she had waited to testify as to her efficiency and the satisfactoriness of her service. As Miss Spittle stated that she could produce no guests the case was adjourned Friday morning.

When the case was called Friday morning, Mrs. Ferguson testified for defendant, but no witnesses had been secured to corroborate testimony of plaintiff.

Justice McKinnay's decision after all testimony had been heard and the case summed up was that \$12.50 as back wages and five back to Calgary total amounting to \$18.50 be paid plaintiff.

Each side in the case paid their own costs.

"News" Sold At Sheriff Sale

Considerable excitement prevailed around the News office Wednesday afternoon, in fact the old stand fairly resembled the London Stock Exchange of the Chicago wheat pit. All this flurry was caused by the sale at the hands of the Sheriff of the property of The Bassano News Company.

Although there was quite a crowd present early in the afternoon most of them were evidently merely curiosity-seekers, or the more frightened away by the appearance of things. When Mr. Struthers, acting bailiff, called the opening of the sale only a few of these most interested were present.

Bidding started at \$500 and for a few bids among three men it looked as though things were really going to happen, but in a short time bidders began to lose interest and it was sold at a nominal sum merely to offset other bidders as the purchaser had a previous arrangement with the holder of the chattel mortgage. The buyer of the paper was Harry G. Meyer who will personally manage and edit the paper in the future.

At the rate of 1800 feet every day the great trenching machine which is digging the ditch for Bassano's water mains is advancing toward the town. This means that there is positively no reason why the citizens of this town can not have water into their homes before the advent of winter.

All the supply mains and distribution lines will be completed within ten to fourteen days, and every particle of our work will be completed by November 15th. Contractor H. G. Geddes Friday afternoon when asked about the work. "There were 7000 feet to be laid from the corner of the Indian reservation to the road near the Beckley hotel and with the supply lines on the town's streets in the neighborhood of two and a half miles remains to be laid. But with our machine operating at the speed of five and one half feet per minute one can readily see it will not be long until the work is completed. For a time it did look as if we might possibly be held up by the weather, but now the work is so far advanced that the weather is no longer a consideration, and unless some unforeseen obstacle presents us, I can see no reason under the sun why the residents of Bassano can not see the new system by the first of December at the very outside."

"Never, in my experience as a contractor, have I seen work progress so smoothly and rapidly as it is doing with us at the present time. For one great difficulty is to secure sufficient men to keep the work going. We are constantly handicapped by the shortage of men as many of our men are being called away by the war. I hardly believe we shall ever be troubled in that respect."

Work at the intake is progressing rapidly and to the complete satisfaction of those in charge. The large smoke stack at the pumping station was raised without trouble on Friday and all is in readiness for the completion of the other work. Mr. H. G. Geddes, mechanical engineer of the work said, "It is a great equipment and should last for years." The well at the station is fifty seven feet deep and an eighteen inch pipe carries the water from the intake to the well. When asked concerning the quality of the water Mr. Miles said it was of the best quality and superior to the regular well water now used by the townpeople. The equipment installed has a capacity of 100,000 gallons per hour which will be more than sufficient to take care of Bassano's needs for years to come. The stand-pipe has a capacity of 500,000 gallons and with its elevation of 190 feet will give a pressure of 85 pounds per square inch, and can be pumped into town at the rate of 200 gallons per minute.

Spectators find it exceedingly interesting to see the wonderful trenching machine at work for it with the crew of three men, operator or engineer, fireman and handy men do the work of fifty men and it is done with greater dispatch and cleanliness than human hands could manage. On Thursday 1300 ft of ditch were dug while on Wednesday 1600 feet of earth to a depth of seven and a half feet were thrown out. This machine which is called the "Duckey" Trenching Machine and costs \$5,000 has with duty weighs over 25 tons and has a life of only about two years when in use. After the contractor has the machine they are completely rebuilt at the shops of the firm, and then are continually repaired and placed in operation until practically nothing remains of the original machine. The machine used on this work is capable of digging a trench nine and a half feet deep and only about two feet wide while larger machines of a similar nature are capable of digging a trench twenty feet deep and five feet in width. The contractors own five of these machines which are kept in operation during the entire season. This summer horse power are required to operate it, but the rapidly with which the trenching machine can dig over the ground would almost seem to indicate an even greater motive force.

Steel Is Laid On Cut-off

Steel as far as the canal east of town has been laid already by the C. P. R. on the new cut-off for the main line. The road bed is now completed for a further distance, and the men are getting the steel down shore rapidly with which is being pushed forward. With the two or three hundred yards already laid and material on hand it will not be long until a good showing can be made.

Our Foreword

With this issue a new management of the Bassano News makes its bow the subscribers' advertisements and patrons of the paper and to the citizens of Bassano and environs at large. The old Bassano News Co. the former manager and editor and all previously connected with the little white building, old and decrepit structure, the walls held together by the inside paper, are no longer interested in the slightest way with the News from this date forward.

We realize fully as did our predecessor that plant, equipment, accommodations and tools are not as bright and shiny as they might be -- as we should prefer to have them, but it is our endeavor to so take care of them that they may still serve our needs. As has been stated some are "not old but in the last extremities of rheumatism, through exposure" and we are thankful for that as we can hereafter hope to protect them from undue and careless exposure, so if they do acquire rheumatism we at least have ourselves to blame.

But, after all be said and done building, "three-legged stoves, antique explosions with hang-dog faces, a table with more limbs than 'top" and all other equipment hardly in our opinion make a newspaper. As important as these things are, there is something even more essential. A far greater requisite for a newspaper is a business head, an ability to manage, a capacity to edit, "a nose for news" and above all to give the subscribers and people among whom the paper circulates information and facts which will be of interest to them.

In our humble opinion the paper of any community bears certain obligations to that community. These duties we realize and hope and intend to carry out. It shall always be our aim to give the citizens of Bassano the news of this vicinity. We shall at all times

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Assault Case Quickly Handled

New Editor of "News" Found Guilty of Assault on Former Editor.

Another "interesting, and at times amusing case" was heard Friday afternoon when Harry G. Meyer, was tried and found guilty of assault upon the person of J. R. Sharp, complainant, at the Town Hall before Justice of the Peace McKinnay.

The assault occurred at the News office Thursday morning a short time before noon when Mr. Sharp attempted to take from the office the books of the company which he had surrendered a short time previous. Miss Dolores Hennessy who was typist in the News office was the witness of the affair and testified as to the actual happenings during the alleged assault.

The whole of Justice's trial slowly, but

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